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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY

Sir:

Pursuant to the Notice of Incomplete Reply mailed July 8, 2004 Applicants enclose the following:

- 11 (eleven) sheets of replacement drawings figures 1 to 17;
- Copy of Notice of Incomplete Reply; and
- Change of Attorney or Agent's Address in Application.

The drawings have been amended to bring them into compliance with 37 CFR 1.84. In particular, all lines and letters have been amended such that all lines and letters are of sufficient weight to permit adequate reproduction. In respect of figures 5, 6, 7, 10, 11 and 12 Applicants advise that the images submitted are direct prints from the electronic file that produced the

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screen display illustrated. The Applicants have adjusted the image to provide the best available contrast.

This is also a request to under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response by three months from July 26, 2004 to October 26, 2004 based on the mailing date of May 26, 2004 of the original Notice to File Missing Parts.

Applicants request that the Office charge the amount of \$980 to Deposit Account No. 02-2553 in payment of the required extension fees. Please charge any additional fees required to to Deposit Account No. 02-2553.

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NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY (NONPROVISIONAL)

Filing Date Granted

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has received your reply on 06/10/2004 to the Notice to File Missing Parts (Notice) mailed 05/26/2004 and it has been entered into the nonprovisional application. The reply, however, does not include the following items required in the Notice.

The period of reply remains as set forth in the Notice. You may, however, obtain EXTENSIONS OF TIME under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 (a) accompanied by the appropriate fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)).

A complete reply must be timely filed to prevent ABANDONMENT of the above-identified application. Replies should be mailed to: Mail Stop Missing Parts, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria VA 22313-1450.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 are required. The drawings submitted are not acceptable because:
 - The drawings have a line quality that is too light to be reproduced (weight of all lines and letters must be heavy enough to permit adequate reproduction) or text that is illegible (reference characters, sheet numbers, and view numbers must be plain and legible) see 37 CFR 1.84(I) and (p)(1)); See Figure(s) 5, 6, 7, 10, 11& 12 are too dark.

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